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FOR THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS

SUBJECT: LOS MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

REF STATE 190812, JIDDA 5415

1. FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD DISCUSSED WITH ME  
YESTERDAY SECRETARY'S LETTER OF AUGUST 2 ON LAW OF THE  
SEA CONFERENCE. HE WAS RESPONDING TO SECRETARY'S COMMENT  
THAT PERSONAL ATTENTION OF THOSE AT THE MOST SENIOR LEVELS OF  
THE GOVERNMENT IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO MAKE THE IMPORTANT  
DIFFICULT DECISIONS IN NEW YORK THAT WILL BE NEEDED TO BRING  
THE NEGOTIATIONS TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. HE WANTS YOU  
TO KNOW THAT HE AGREES WITH YOU FULLY AND THAT THE SAUDI  
DELEGATION HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT  
WITH THE US DELEGATION. HE IS PREPARED TO COOPERATE WITH  
YOU WITH RESPECT TO ANY ADDITIONAL IDEAS WHICH MIGHT FURTHER  
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THE NEGOTIATIONS.

2. PRINCE SAUDI ADDED THAT PERHAPS THE CONCEPT OF A GLOBAL LOS SETTLEMENT WAS TOO AMBITIOUS AND, IN RETROSPECT, IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN BETTER HAD WE MADE A DIFFERENT APPROACH. HE DID NOT SEEM INCLINED TO ELABORATE UNTIL I INQUIRED IN WHAT RESPECT THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN PREFERABLE. HE SAID THAT PERHAPS THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE SUCCESS IF SOME MATTERS COULD HAVE BEEN DEALT WITH ON A REGIONAL BASIS, OR IF IT HAD BEEN DECIDED TO AIM AT A FEW OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES. HE DID NOT WISH TO BE MORE SPECIFIC, AND REVERTED AGAIN TO HIS EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION FOR YOUR LETTER AND THE FACT THAT THE SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT EXPECTS TO MAINTAIN ITS TRADITIONAL COOPERATION WITH US ON THIS SUBJECT.

3. HE EXPECTS TO BE IN NEW YORK IN SEPTEMBER, BUT EXACT DATES HAVE NOT BEEN DECIDED.  
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